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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION DATED 12 AUG 2004**

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction action issued 23 November 2004 in the above-referenced case. A restriction requirement was raised between claim Groups 1-4.

Applicants elect Group 1, including claims 92-100 and 104-108 drawn to isolated nucleic acid molecules. Applicants elect the species of SEQ ID NO:15, with the understanding that the applicant is entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which depend on an allowable generic claims. The claims readable on the elected species are 92-100 and 104-108. Accordingly, claims 101-103 and 109-131 are cancelled without prejudice to their renewal in a related patent application.

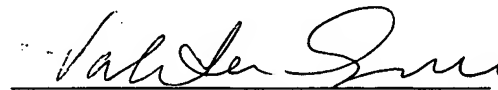
### **Conclusion**

It is believed that this document is fully responsive to the election requirement raised in the Office action dated 23 November 2004. It is believed that the claims are now in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully urged.

### **Fees**

Although it is believed that no fees are due, in the event the Patent Office determines that fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account Number 18-0650 in the amount of any fees deemed to be due.

Respectfully submitted



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